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RESPONSE

Sir:

Applicant requests consideration of the pending claims in the above-identified patent application based on the remarks herein.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of the claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.

Appendix with Declaration under 37 CFR § 1.131, begins at page 13 of this paper.

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Response

Account No. 23-2053. If any additional extension and/or fee are required, please consider this a petition therefore and charge the required fee(s) to Account No. 23-2053.

It is submitted that the present claims are in condition for allowance, and notification to that effect is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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